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1. WE ARE PLEASED THAT G-77 OMNIBUS DRAFT IS SHORT AND
NOT TOO COMPLEX BUT WE AGREE WITH USDEL THAT IT PRESENTS
NUMBEROUS DIFFICULTIES. THE PRESENT TEXT IS AN
UNBALANCED DOCUMENT WITH AN ADVERSARIAL TONE AND REPRE-

SENTS A ONE SIDED INDICTMENT OF THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES WHICH U.S. CANNOT BE EXPECTED TO ACCEPT IN VIEW OF ITS ENORMOUS EFFORTS THROUGHOUT THE PAST YEAR TO BE FORTHCOMING IN THE NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE AND TO DEVELOP PRAGMATIC PROPOSALS TO MEET THE REAL PROBLEMS OF THE DEVELOPING WORLD.

2. DESPITE ITS CONFRONTATIONAL NATURE, WE AGREE THAT IT IS BEST TO WORK FROM PRESENT TEXT RATHER THAN PRESENT A COMPLETELY NEW DOCUMENT. WE ARE SUGGESTING BELOW ALTERNATE LANGUAGE FOR APPROPRIATE USE BY THE DELEGATION WHICH EMPHASIZES COMMON EFFORTS AND COMMON PURPOSES IN THE NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE.

3. FIRST PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH IS ACCEPTABLE IN THAT IT ONLY RECALLS THE NIEO AND THE CERDS.

4. SECOND PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH IS UNACCEPTABLE. NOT ONLY IS IT A GRATUITOUS SLAP AT THE SECRETARIAT BUT IT CONTAINS AN IMPLIED DIRECTION TO IT TO SERVE THE INTERESTS OF ONLY ONE GROUP IN THE UN CONTRARY TO THE UN CHARTER. WE BELIEVE THE BEST WAY TO HANDLE THIS PROBLEM IS TO INCLUDE REFERENCE TO THE WORLD ECONOMIC SURVEY IN AN OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH (SEE PARA 12 BELOW).

5. OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 1 SHOULD BE LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING: "EXPRESSES DEEP CONCERN THAT DURING THE FIRST HALF OF THE SECOND UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT DECADE, THERE HAVE BEEN SERIOUS SHORTFALLS IN ACHIEVING THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES SPECIFIED IN THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY."

6. NEW OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH: "CALLS UPON MEMBER STATES TO REDOUBLE THEIR EFFORTS TO IMPLEMENT THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY DURING THE REMAINING TIME PERIOD OF THE DECADE IN ORDER TO HELP OFFSET THE SHORT-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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FALLS RECORDED DURING THE FIRST HALF OF THE DECADE."

7. OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 2 - "COMMENDS THE PROGRESS MADE SINCE THE 6TH AND 7TH SPECIAL SESSIONS OF THE UNGA TOWARD ATTAINING THE BROAD OBJECTIVES OF THE DECISIONS ADOPTED AT THOSE SESSIONS, BUT URGES MEMBER STATES TO CONTINUE TO PRESS FOR ACHIEVEMENT OF THESE GOALS ON ALL FRONTS."

8. OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 3 - "URGES THEREFORE MEMBER STATES TO INTENSIFY THEIR DIALOGUE ON PENDING ISSUES THROUGH THE CONSULTATIONS AND NEGOTIATIONS CALLED FOR IN AGREEMENTS REACHED AT UNCTAD IV AND IN ALL OTHER

APPROPRIATE FORA, BOTH WITHIN AND WITHOUT THE UNITED NATIONS, WITH A VIEW TO REACHING AGREEMENT ON CONCRETE AND URGENT SOLUTIONS TO PENDING ISSUES."

9. OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 4 - "EXPRESSES CONCERN AND DISAPPOINTMENT IN THIS CONTEXT AT THE DEADLOCK CURRENTLY REACHED IN THE CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION;"

10. NEW OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH - "EXPRESSES THE HOPE THAT THESE DIFFICULTIES WILL BE PROMPTLY OVERCOME AND THAT RAPID PROGRESS WILL SUBSEQUENTLY BE MADE TOWARDS THE ACHIEVEMENT OF CONCRETE RESULTS."

11. OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 5 HAS BEEN DEALT WITH IN PARA SIX ABOVE.

12. OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 6 - "URGES THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARIAT TO RESPOND FULLY TO APPROPRIATE UNITED NATIONS DECISIONS AND TO INSURE THAT DOCUMENTATION PREPARED BY THE SECRETARIAT, INCLUDING THE WORLD ECONOMIC SURVEY, BE FULLY CONSISTENT WITH THE DIRECTIVES OF THE RELEVANT LEGISLATIVE TEXTS;"

13. OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 7 - "URGES THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO CALL UPON THE REVIEW AND APPRIASAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT PLANNING TO BEGIN PREPARATORY WORK IN 1977 LOOKING TOWARD THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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ELABORATION OF A NEW STRATEGY FOR THE THIRD DEVELOPMENT DECADE WHICH WOULD INCLUDE A CLOSE EXAMINATION OF THE ACHIEVEMENTS AND SHORTFALLS OF THE SECOND DEVELOPMENT DECADE AND THE LESSONS TO BE DERIVED THEREFROM."

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